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Live Heavy Type Hens (7 Lbs & Up) Final Price, Cents Per Lb., Generally For Slaughter The Week of March 8, 2004

	Range	Majority	Weighted Average
Southeast Region	6.00 - 9.25	8.75 - 9.25	8.89
South Central Region	6.50 - 12.00	9.00 - 9.50	9.26

March 5, 2004

Live Light Type Hens

* Cents Per <u>Bird</u> Generally For Removal Within Next 10 Days*
(Includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

Removal Cost

	Range	Majority
Eastern Region	0 - 12.00	9.00 - 11.00
South Central Region	TFEWR	TFEWR
North Central Region	4 - 7.00	6.00 - 7.00

Live Heavy Type Hens (7 Lb & Up) Preliminary Negotiated Price, Cents Per Lb., Generally For Slaughter The Week Of March 8, 2004

	At Farm Buyer Loading
Southeast Region	Too Few Sales To Report Prices
South Central Region	Too Few Sales To Report Prices

National Canner Fowl Market (Without Necks) Cents Per Pound Delivered To First Receivers

	(Freight Cost Included)		(Without Freight Cost)		
	Range	Majority	Range	Majority	
Light Type	24.00-32.00	27.00-27.50	22.50-30.00	25.00-26.00	
Heavy Type	33.00-39.00	36.50-37.50	32.00-37.00	34.00-35.00	

Miscellaneous Poultry

Ready-To-Cook Prices Negotiated For Delivery To First Receivers, U.S. Grade A And Plant Grade, 5 Lbs. And Up

For Week Of March 1, 2004

	Hens	Range	Mostly
Central	Ice Packed (12 Head Per Box)	66-71	_
	Vacuum Pack (6-9 Head Per Box)	68-78	
S. California	Under 5 Lbs.	TFEWR	_
	Over 5 Lbs. 71	-77	